

THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS

Meeting of Executive Council

Nov. 18, 1945 at Y.M.C.A.

Members in attendance were:

Bruce Grant
P. J. O'Shea
Ray Greer

It was decided to call a general meeting for 6:30 at the Lorna Doone Tea Room on November 21st.

The matter of the club name was discussed to some length and it was agreed that the name The Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters was generally known in ham circles to represent the local amateur club.

A discussion on the lost records brought the meeting to a close.

Bruce Grant

THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS

This first meeting of this society, since the ban was put on amateur radio activities at the outbreak of hostilities, was held in the Lorna Doone Tea Room on Wednesday, November 21, 1945. There were twenty-five members and guests in attendance.

The meeting was opened by our president, Mr. Bruce Grant. The president reviewed the past activities of the club and expressed high hopes for its future.

The president called on our former secretary, Mrs. Eva Mulheron, to report on the last meeting of the club. Mrs. Mulheron advised the assembly that the records had gone astray. She reminded the members of the club's decision, six years or so ago, to turn over all cash on hand to a local charity drive. The sum involved, amounted to seven dollars (\$7.00). Mr. Pat O'Shea and Mr. Charlie McDonald agreed with the statements made.

Mr. Grant then brought up the matter of enrolling new members. He advised that membership fees had formerly been set at fifty cents (.50¢) a year. A very lengthy discussion followed. The matter of fees was settled first. It was the opinion of some that they should be raised, but, because the club is not likely to have much of a financial drain until the bands are really opened. Mr. Les Harris motioned that a fee of fifty cents (.50¢) stand for the remainder of this year which expires March 31st., next. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bert Lambert, and was carried. Regarding new members, some few were of the opinion that anyone interested in short wave radio should be allowed membership. Others took exception to this. Mr. O'Shea reminded members of the club's constitution in which it is stated that only licensed radio amateurs are admitted to membership. Mr. McDonald suggested that all in attendance be allowed to become members as they showed their interest by attending the meeting. Mr. Harold Dow voiced strong disapproval of allowing any S.W.L. membership. Mrs. Mulheron suggested that non-members present who did not possess a "ticket" be admitted into the club as associate members. The discussion was closed by deciding that anyone present who wished to join the club may do so. Their membership to be in force until March 31, 1946. But, this procedure would not set a precedent for the future.

At this point Mr. O'Shea spoke of the "Canadian Amateur Radio Operators Association", being organized in Toronto. This organization is expected to become national and requires the support of all active radio amateurs. Mr. O'Shea suggested that we, as a club, affiliate ourselves with their movement. A short discussion followed. A motion was made by myself and seconded by Mr. Page that a letter be written to A.R.O.A. expressing our desire of affiliation and asking for further information. The motion was carried.

Mr. Lambert spoke of the fine work Mr. O'Shea of Fort William and Mr. Smith of Port Arthur have done in training operators for licenses. He pointed out that almost every Lakehead operator owed his initial training to either one or both of these men. Mr. Lambert moved a vote of thanks to them. The motion was seconded by Mr. Blennerhasset. The motion was carried.

The president then advised members that Mrs. Mulheron had tendered her resignation as secretary-treasurer of the club, as she is leaving the Lakehead to take up residence in Toronto. A vote of thanks and a wish for future success was extended Mrs. Mulheron on behalf of the club by Mr. O'Shea. Nominations were then opened for Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. Eric Page was nominated by Mr. Blennerhasset and myself by Mr. O'Shea.

The president told the members that the present executive would carry on until March 31, 1946, when general elections would be held. The meeting was then thrown open to a general discussion, in which everything from a crystal set to the diversity and from the spark to radar were discussed.

Mr. Grant asked that a motion of adjournment be placed before the meeting. Mr. Owen moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. McDonald seconded the motion which was carried.

Bruce Grant.

THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS

Meeting of the Executive Council held on December 10, 1945
at 720 South Norah Street.

Members in attendance were:

Bruce Grant
Alex Foulton

Harold Dow
Ray Greer

It was decided to call a general meeting of the club at the
Lorna Doone Tea Room. A programme for the evening was
decided on, and this council meeting was adjourned.

Bruce Grant

THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS

On December 19, 1945, this club met in the Lorna Doone Tea Room.

After a very enjoyable dinner, the meeting was opened by the president, Bruce Grant, who immediately asked that the minutes of the last meeting be read. An amendment was placed before the assembly by the president, to the effect that the name of the newly elected Secretary-Treasurer, Ray Greer, be included in the minutes. The amendment met general consent, so Bruce Grant asked that some one place a motion that the minutes be adopted as read. The motion, which was carried was made by Bill Blennerhassett, and, seconded by Ray Godsalve.

The president then advised that no reply has, as yet, been received to our letter of inquiry to the Toronto Ops. Bruce Grant told us that Charlie Fieldhouse, who was to talk on Antennae Arrays, was unavoidable detained and could not attend the meeting. The president also advised that the General Electric people will have films to show at our next meeting.

Mr. Grant then called on Harold Dow. Harold had a coil winding contest arranged for us, and, R. A. Boorman won the prize.

Alex Foulton was introduced at this point. Alex gave us a talk on radar. He let us in only on that phase of radar which the military has released. Alex kept the strictly hush-hush strictly hush-hush!

Pat O'Shea was then called upon. Mr. O'Shea produced an oscillator, key and loud speaker, and, announced a code contest. At the end of the first trial we all produced very red faces. Ray Godsalve handled the key. Lloyd Collins, a club member from way back, took all honours for copy.

A proposal of establishing a membership committee to look after new members and encourage all hams to join our organization was advanced by Ray Greer. Ralph Parker said that he had lived at the Lakehead since 1931 and had never been asked to join the club. As a result he felt left out of local amateur activities. The president advised that any one who holds an amateur certificate is acceptable as a member, and, that he believed this generally understood here. Bruce Grant admitted, though that we are lax in our method of handling new members, but, that this will be rectified. Bruce Grant then invited Ralph Parker to join our ranks, and, asked others who were non-members and possessed the necessary qualifications to do the same. Ralph Parker then took the floor and said, that being a full-pledged member he could talk more frankly. He told us of a guest, who although he joined our club claimed he was not given a warm welcome. This sort of thing is no good, he said. Be more constructive. Give us a strictly ham programme. Have QSL cards routed to one person who is known to the postmaster. In reply to Ralph's remarks, regarding the treatment of guests, Mr. H. E. Clarke said he had attended our first meeting as a guest. Mr. Clarke said that he was introduced to all present, and had such a good time that he joined the club. Mr. O'Shea said that in pre war days all QSLs improperly addressed were sent to him by the Postmaster. He re-routed them to the addressee. Ed Gareau asked that the club think of the returning serviceman who knew radio but had no knowledge of

amateur radio. He suggested that this man would no doubt make a good ham when acquainted with our hobby. Ralph Parker then asked about membership cards and the possibility of having mimeograph sheets of ham news made up and sent to the members monthly. Mr. O'Shea motioned that membership cards be printed. Ray Godsalve seconded the motion which was carried. Alex Foulton suggested forming work committees outside of the executive in order that each member have a club job to do, thus maintaining interest in the club. The president then summed all suggestions and criticisms. He told of the advisory committee which had been formed to take care of service men and the problems of new members. Mr. O'Shea is chairman of that committee which members are the chartered members of the club.

The president then asked the assembly to consider a motion of adjournment. Mr. O'Shea put the motion before the members and George Owen seconded the motion which was carried.

Bruce Grant.

515 East Mary Street,
Fort William, Ontario,
January 4, 1946.

The American Relay League,
West Hartford, Conn.

Gentlemen:

The following is a report on the activities of the Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters. We hope you will find it sufficiently interesting to include it in the club activities section of your magazine.

The first meeting of our club, since the cessation of hostilities, was held on November 21st., 1945, in the Lorna Doone Tea Room. It was decided that the officers elected prior to World War Two would continue in office until March 31st., next, when an election will be held. At this initial meeting a new committee, "The Advisory Board", was formed. Its members are made up from the Charter members of the club, with P. J. O'Shea (3FW), the Dean of Amateur Radio at the Lakehead, as Chairman. It is the first duty of this committee to help any one who wishes to become an amateur to attain that goal. The committee will take a special interest in the ex-service man who is not an amateur but has been doing radio work in the service. They are to be ready to give practical aid to all local amateurs who may be experiencing difficulty in setting up their rigs.

Our second get together was also a dinner meeting in the Lorna Doone Tea Room. It was held on December 19th. At this meeting many of the members who had served overseas were in attendance. Alex Foulton gave us a talk on radar and radar technique. A code contest and a coil winding contest were features of the evening. Lloyd Collins and R. A. Boorman were prize winners.

Members and guests attending these meetings were:

B. F. Grant (3SJ)	President	G. Owen	(3A2K)
R. T. Greer (3ACV)	Sec. Treasurer	A. G. Fraser	(4NA)
P. J. O'Shea (3FW)		L. J. Collins	Lloyd (AOD)
W. L. Harris (3GB)		G. R. Andrews	VE3BFA → 3RA → 3SO
R. W. Godsalve (3RA)		C. W. Fieldhouse	
C. C. McDonald (3GS)		Mrs. F. Tamblin	VE3BVT → VE3ANP ?
E. McKenzie (3IA)	← VE4AIA	H. E. Clarke	(ex-3ACW)
E. Pattyson (3A2J)		H. Dow	(3AFQ)
A. Foulton (3AKI)		C. W. Smith	(VBA)
Mrs. E. Mulheron (3APE)		W. E. Blennerhassett	(3AGA)
E. N. Page (4WW)		B. Lambert	(3BV)
B. Tamblin (3ANP)		A. J. Moorby	(3A2K)
R. H. Parker (3HU)	13	E. Gareau	(3AMN)
R. A. Boorman	3UE	Miss L. Johnston	
W. E. Clarke	3CBE	A. De Gaicom	

Yours very truly,

515 East Mary Street,
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Leaside, P. O.,
Toronto, Ontario.

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R. H. Parker	(3HU)		E. Gareau	(3AMN)	
R. A. Boorman			Miss. L. Johnston		
W. E. Clarke			A. DeGaisom		

Yours very truly,

The Canadian Amateur Radio Operators' Association

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January 12, 1946.

R. T. Greer, VE3ACV,
515 East Mary Street,
Fort William, Ontario.

Dear OM,

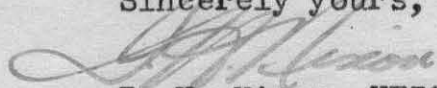
Many thanks for your fb report on the recent meetings of the Lakehead Wireless Experimenters. This is the type of report we appreciate receiving, and we would like all the clubs to regard XTAL as the logical place to publicize their activities. I think I can safely state that the XTAL to appear early in February will carry the news you have sent.

We cannot help but notice however, that only twenty percent of the hams who attended these meetings are members of the CAROA in good standing. While this is unimportant as far as publishing the club's activities is concerned, nevertheless the more hams who associate themselves actively with the VE Ops, the better service we can render you through XTAL. If the Association is to succeed in its aim of becoming Canada's national organization with a strong voice in international amateur affairs, it is vital that all VE's lend their support.

To date, we have heard hardly a dissenting voice in this endeavour, and we believe that all clubs would receive the support of their members if they should recommend that everyone join. In any case, we would appreciate your comments in this connection.

Thanks again for writing and best wishes to your club from the gang here. 73 for now.

Sincerely yours,



I. H. Nixon, VE3ACL,
Acting Secretary.

CHARLES E. BLALACK, W6GG, VICE-PRESIDENT
KENNETH B. WARNER, W1EH, SECRETARY & GENERAL MANAGER

GEORGE W. BAILEY, W1KH, PRESIDENT

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Mr. R. T. Greer, VE3ACV,
515 East Mary Street,
Fort William, Ontario, Canada

Dear Mr. Greer:

Thank you for the reports of your first and second club meetings after the cessation of hostilities and the names of your new officers.

We are delighted to have these, and the news of your informal talks and activities both "for the record" and for consideration in connection with the club reports to be turned in in the near future for QST mention. Luck and 73.

Sincerely,

F. E. Handy
F. E. Handy, W1BDI
Communications Manager

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on January 21, 1946.

Members in attendance were:

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It was decided to call a general meeting of the club at the
Lorna Doone Tea Room. A programme was arranged for this
dinner.

Various working committees were formed with members named.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Bruce Grant

Mr. R.T. Greer
515 E. May St,
Fort William, Ont.

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Dear O.M.;

Whats the idea sending me a letter that only gets here and give me one day from the time of mailing to reach your meeting in Fort William. ? I am living in a suburb of Toronto where we can only mail a letter and get it out once a day.

This ~~crap~~^{stuff} I am writing now wont get out of here until to night.

I hope you dont get it until AFTER your meeting. You wont miss anything anyway. But what it means to me is this; I have got to poke ~~Hell~~^{blaze} out of this old typewriter and rush down with it to the city limits and get it away in time at a city mail box.

I wouldnt care about that so much but when I start to speed up on a typewriter I make as many mistakes as my brother did up in Timmins the first time he got hold of a bug key. Furthermore- my age is against me when I use a typewriter. I'm no young girl straight from some commercial school you know whose softly falling and rising lacy bosom as she types is a decoration to the office. Heavens NO. Its a far different picture if you could get a gander at the old coot who hunts and pecks this bunk out here at the moment.

Just draw upon your imagination and you will see me here,- bald as ~~heck~~^{heck} buggery,- baggy eyed,- humped backed,- eyeglasses perched way down on the end of my nose,- which drips a little on the keys,- and dirty old whiskers tied away back so I can see what letter to poke at as I try to write,- wheezing and coughing and passing a little bowel gas when the coughing gets tough,- like a colt with the colic.

Bless my soul,- now- cant seem to remember who you lads are-Gosh all hemlock-seems to me,- er - now there was something I used to pass my time at back there in the dim past,- seems to have something

to do with radio-but cant fer the life of me think WHATit WAS.
Wait till I call the wife-mebbe she will know :::::::::::::::
:::::::::::: OH-H -H YEAH -NOW I remember. Darn it all-my memory
aint wurth a hoot no more. YEAH . Sure SURH .
Say- that wife of mine has a memory to beat all get out. (Where
in the Hell is the "EXCLAMATION MARK" on this damned machine. Wait-
while I look over this thing(Got to have "exclamations" if I want
to write the way I talk;-just a minute while I look). ::::::::::
NAW- aint got an "exclamation"key on the bloody thing. Funny-that.
Imagine that now-after twenty five years using this machine-just
found THAT out (Need an "exclamation after that sentence but as I
aint got none- gess I'll just poke at any other key that aint
working. You know- lots of these keys never work at all. Just
dont need em that all. Can you imagine the makers putting on a lot
of keys that aint any good. Look at these $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{3}{4}$ % # & @
and never putting on an "EXCLAMATION" ?
::::::::::::: Where was I ? I started out to write somebody about
SOMETHING. What the HECK was it? Wait till I call the wife::::::::::::
She says my mind wanders-that I told her a while ago I was going to
write a letter to some radio hams I used to know. BOY - there is
a woman that has a memory like a razor.

Yeah- well- let me see-::::: Right in my pocket I have the bands
the Govt. gave us, and when I dope out that some of them are just
one third of an inch long, thats the 21000 to 22000 M.C. and that
the only thing that will suit the junk we used to use is the TEN
metre band, I feel the same as most of the lads down this way, that
it isnt really worth while. There is not much interest down here
as yet but things may open up later. The fact remains that of all
the hams I knew down here, only one has called me up asking about
getting on the air again and he didnt feel any too enthusiastic.

The ten metre band was far from popular before the war due to its reported unreliability by those who tried the band, but my opinion is that on account of other bands being then available, not many hams used the band. There is possibly a great deal we dont know about just WHAT the ten metre band WILL do, simply because there has not been sufficient hams around the globe working on it.

The poor reports we have about ten metres is characteristic of all the bands when we first started looking them over. I recall how 150 metres was useless until Hartford talked to France on it.

After that the hams went "down" there. In every case it was the hams who opened up new territory. I am inclined to think that if ten thousand hams spread all over the earth got on ten metres we would find what ails it-when it could be worked and when it couldnt, where it would get-and where it wouldnt, and find ways of trapping signals on that band which are going over our heads now simply because there are not enough of us on that band to take it apart and see what makes it tick.

There is no problem facing humanity to day, that will not show a definite improvement once the human mind is applied to it, and most of the worth while problems have been solved not so much by paid scientists, but by ordinary average minds, urged by a desire for a satisfactory answer to some question of intense interest to them. That our governments have given way to the pressure of commercial interests and promptly robbed the radio ham of the fruits of his labors-driven him off the frequencies each time he proved some band to be of real value, -is - at first glance, a crime, and yet, once a band has been developed and its possibilities fully known, the questing mind, with which the ham is cursed, or blessed, needs new fields to conquer. Other viewpoints maintain that governments

have pursued a short sighted policy by restrictions on radio ham activities, and have failed to recognise the important social value of this hobby.

It is claimed that a boy sitting in his own home during his spare time, active in radio work, is much to be preferred than having that same boy spending his money looking at the gangster movies that are spawned in the cesspools of Hollywood to poison his young mind with the glorification of the gun as a means of getting a precarious living.

We are trying four teen age boys for murder here next week. They shot and killed a storekeeper in the city for a few dollars. They should not put these boys in the dock and clamour to have them hung for this crime. It is a sorry commentary on our society when the best we can think of when our boys go wrong is to hang them. We should take those boys out of the dock and put in the dock our GOVERNMENT, and try them for the social crime of listening to the profit hunting commercial interests who insisted that government ROB thousands of the best type of young citizens of their hobby and leave them to their own devices, to find other pleasures where they could. Hundreds of thousands of young boys to day, ~~fascinated~~ fascinated by radio, could be in their homes, and on the air with their own little rigs they proudly built, -all over the earth, -and be in company with other law abiding citizens during the evening hours, - educating themselves for a possible future career, - making of themselves valuable citizens to any nation, if our governments only had the foresight and backbone to tell commercial ^{interests} ~~interests~~ that the frequencies assigned to radio hams were of important social value in the production of worthwhile citizens.

Best wishes to all the gang

73 Mike Caveney.

THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS

The regular monthly meeting of the Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters was held at the Lorna Doone Tea Room on January 24, 1946.

The president 3SJ asked that the minutes of our last regular meeting be read. A motion that the minutes be adopted as read was placed by 3AKI, and seconded by 3AFQ.

The president then asked that the roll call of members be made.

3FW suggested that in place of a person's proper name, members should use that person's call sign. The suggestion met hearty approval by all members present and was adopted.

A letter from the VE ops was read by the president. 3SJ remarked that a copy of the ops constitution was forwarded with the letter, and, as their constitution is quite long suggested that any member who cared to read them may do so at this or any succeeding meeting. 3SJ reminded members of the advantages of becoming VE ops members. 3CH suggested that our membership fee and that of the VE ops be collected at the same time as it looked as if the Lakehead should and would play a big part in VE ops radio. The suggestion will be reconsidered at the meeting in March when the new dues will be set.

VBA gave us an interesting talk on commercial radio. He spoke principally of the commercial radio operator field and the course of study to be followed in working towards a second class ticket.

A letter from 3GG, a charter member of our club was read. 3FW suggested a reply be forwarded thanking 3GG and wishing him the best.

The president then advised members of the various working committees which have been formed.

- (1) The Technical Committee with 3FW as chairman, 3RA, 3GS, 3GB, 3SJ, 3CH, and 3UE as members.
- (2) The Ham Activities Committee with 3AFQ as chairman, 3AZK, Bob Boorman, 3AMN, 3AZJ as members.
- (3) The Monitoring Committee with 3RA as chairman, 3ANP, 3GB, 3HU as members.
- (4) The Membership Committee with 3AKI as chairman, 4WW, 3AGA, VBA, 3BV as members.
- (5) The Financial Committee with 3ACV as chairman, 3ACW, 4NA as members.

VBA suggested that we form a programme committee.

3SJ advised the members that the committees would take turn about in preparing the programme for our meetings. 4ZK told of a peculiar situation at the Lakehead in so far as amateur radio is concerned. He said that he walked into Mahon Electric in Port Arthur and asked for war asset tubes, etc., and was told by the clerk who waited on him that they hadn't bothered to procure anything for the local amateur trade as radio amateur activities here were not only on the decline but a thing of the past. Our president said that it would be the work of the membership committee which looks after publicity to put a stop to this sort of talk. 3AFQ said that if Mahon Electric in Port Arthur would get together with their Fort William store, they would soon learn how inactive local amateur activities is. He further stated that the Fort William store had more amateur business than they could handle. He told us that Mahon Electric in Fort William were giving a discount to all licensed amateurs.

Our president then asked that a motion for adjournment be placed before the meeting. A motion for adjournment was then made by 3AGA, and seconded by 34ZK.

Bruce Grant.

Stamp Report filed by C. M. Donald

REPORT BY THE SECRETARY RE

RESOLUTION PASSED AT

MEETING JAN 28

In accordance with the resolution passed at the last regular meeting which gave the Secretary discretionary powers in interviewing Local Radio Dealers and explaining the attitude of the Lakehead Wireless Experimenters with regard to Broadcast Interference the following visits were made:

Chapples Limited - One of the Radio Salesman as well as the Radio Serviceman were interviewed. Some interesting angles arose in respect to the interference which Amateurs have caused to both the AC/DC sets as well as the larger BCL sets. They acknowledged the weakness of the small type set but felt that where interference was experienced with larger type sets that the Amateur should endeavour to shield his own equipment more carefully.

Mahon Electric Co. - The Radio Salesman in this Store objected to the recent Press notice with respect to the AC/DC sets whereas the opinion of the Serviceman was in sympathy with the Radio Amateurs.

As the feeling of the last regular meeting was expressed in the Daily Papers of both cities, the Secretary felt that it would accomplish just as much as lengthy discussions with various Radio Dealers would. In Fort William the matter received front page priority and also received good publicity in Port Arthur as well.

I would recommend to this Club, in view of the result of interviews with the dealers mentioned and also comments received with respect to newspaper publicity:

"That all Amateurs, and more particularly members of the Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters Association, be urged to construct radio telephony equipment in metal cabinets if at all possible and also that transmission lines be carefully constructed and erected to eliminate as much as possible interference to Broadcast Listeners. That where the Radio Listener's set is at fault, every effort be made to correct same in order to preserve a friendly feeling and cooperation among all concerned."

Respectfully submitted,

Lakehead Amateur Radio Club History Project

E. Reid
Secretary Treasurer

515 East Mary Street,
FORT WILLIAM, Ontario,
February 21st., 1946.

Air Minister Gibson,
Dominion Parliament Buildings,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Gibson:

Some years ago the Radio Amateurs of Thunder Bay District organized the Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters. The club was formed to further the interests of Amateur Radio here, and in Canada as a whole. Our membership was and is open only to persons who possess a duly authorized Certificate of Proficiency in Amateur Radio of Canada.

Prior to the war we operated a club radio station using the call, VE3UE, licensed in the name of B. Rudman. The equipment was donated by members. Our club rooms were in the Kam Club in Fort William. At the out break of the war we disbanded and returned all equipment to the original owners.

Last November we held a re-organization meeting, and have held monthly meetings since that time. We number twenty-six members in good standing. It is our purpose to again set up a club radio station, but, there are a number of obstacles standing in the way. First, the Kam Club building has been sold, and we are unable to rent our old club rooms. New space must be found before we can set up our rig. Secondly, Mr. Rudman intends to operate his own station, therefore, we cannot use his call and license. Thirdly, radio equipment and technic have changed somewhat in the few years we have been inactive, and, the equipment we now have would not be suitable to an efficiently operated station. Obstacles one and three are not too difficult and, with a little time, we can over come them. But, it now appears that it is not the policy of our government to issue Amateur Radio Licenses to an organization or a group of individuals, these licenses are issued to private persons only. However, as our station would be used primarily as a relay station linking the east and the west, which, we believe, is in keeping with your idea of the Air Force Amateur Radio System: We will appreciate, then, your advising if our club can be organized as a "Flight" of the AFARS.

I would like to point out here that in the event of our club getting this appointment, we will set up a special committee to look after the operation of the station. We will be pleased to supply you with any further information you may require, and, should you wish, we will forward a copy of our constitution, to you.

Yours very truly,

The Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters,

Raymond T. Greer, (VE3ACV), Sec-Treasurer.

THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS

Meeting of the Executive Council held on February 25, 1946
at 319 North Brodie Street.

Members present were:

Harold Dow
P. J. O'Shea
Ray Greer

A set of by-laws were presented by Ray Greer, and after discussion were accepted by the members present. Bruce Grant examined the by-laws before the council meeting and after a few suggested changes also accepted the by-laws.

The meeting adjourned after talk regarding election of new officers.

Bruce Grant



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ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

Ottawa, Ontario, March 11th 1946.

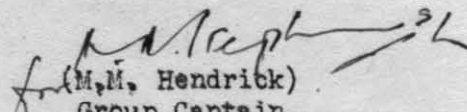
Mr. Raymond T. Greer,
515 East Mary Street,
Fort William, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your enquiry about the
Air Force Amateur Radio System.

Your letter has been passed to the Controller of
your area who will communicate with you.

Yours truly,


(M. M. Hendrick)
Group Captain
for Chief of the Air Staff

The Radio Shop

SALES AND SERVICE

PHONE 573

C. J. Elston

3AKB

J. L. Doreen

3SZ

38 King St., East

Bowmanville, Ontario

April 15th, 1946.

Mr. Ray Greer,
Secretary,
Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters,
Fort William,
Ont.

Dear Sir,

I realize that the time is yet a bit previous for schedules etc. but this note is a request to any of the boys in your club to drop us a line - with the view in mind of picking a channel and time to contact Ft. William and Port Arthur. My partner in business and I intend to buy 3.5 and 7 and 14 Mc. blanks and grind them to our own frequencies. I also have a V.F.O. in the process of construction.

Just a few lines here, if any of your members are interested, to get acquainted. My partner, J.L. Doreen, (VE3SZ) and I (VE3AKB) are both licensed commercial ops. and intend to be working 20,40 and 80 Metre fone and c.w. from here in Bowmanville. 3SZ's lineup is as yet indefinite, but my rig is almost finished, using a pair of 813's in the final to have, if necessary, about 350 watts input. We both own and run the store here as our letterhead indicates, and if you should have no contacts with War Assets it's possible that we might, even today, help some of your members get some of W.A.'s bargains from the Toronto stores. (If so, it would be strictly on a non-profit basis.) In the store here we don't buy or sell any Ham equipment but as we are both Hams we'd be glad to look for and pick up any particular parts from W.A. as abovementioned.

But for QSP'ing, would you mind passing along to the members our request for some tentative skeds for the future and if any of them are interested, we'd be glad to help and arrange things. For now, best

73's

C. J. Elston

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THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS

On April 24, 1946 the executive council met at the home of the president, 3SJ.

Members in attendance were:

R. H. Parker	3HU	A. J. Moorby
G. R. Andrews		R. T. Greer
B. Grant	95	ACV

It was decided that 3FW would be chairman of the Technical Committee. 3HU chairman of the Ham Activities Committee. 3BFM chairman of the Monitoring Committee, 3AZJ chairman of the Membership Committee, and 3ACV chairman of the Finance Committee. It was also decided that future programme would be looked after by the different committees in the order named. Also, that chairman contact members for committee work.

The meeting was adjourned.

THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS

On April 24, 1946 this club met in the Lorna Doone Tea Room.

The meeting was presided over by 3SJ, the president, who asked that the minutes of the last meeting be read.

3AGA motioned that the minutes be adopted as read, and 3RA seconded the motion.

The president gave the reasons why no meeting was held in February or March. As no new business was on the programme 3SJ read letters received from the VE ops and the Radio Shack.

3SJ told the assembly that the executive council had been working on a new constitution for the club and wished to present same for discussion. The president told members that it would not be necessary to approve the constitution at this meeting.

The secretary read the proposed constitution which was discussed to some length. Finally, with a few changes, 3GS moved that the constitution with these amendments be accepted at this meeting. 3UA seconded the motion, which was passed without a dissenting vote.

The president asked that the assembled persons rise in turn, introduce themselves and give a short account of their activities.

3SJ called for a general election and asked 3UA to preside over the election. 3AZJ, 3ANP, and 3BV were named scrutineers.

President - 3GS nominated 3SJ, and 3HU seconded the nomination. As no one else was named, 3SJ was returned to office.

Vice-President - 3FW, 3GS, and 3RA were nominated by 3HU, 3GS, and 3FW respectively. 3FW and 3GS withdrew their names. 3AGA and 3AKI moved that nominations be closed. Carried. 3RA is elected vice-president.

Secretary-Treasurer - 3ACV nominated by 3AFQ and 3AKI. As no one else was named 3ACV was returned to office.

Executive Council - 3FW, 3AZJ, 3HU, 3AKI, 3BFM, 3AFQ, were named. Council elected 3FW, 3AZJ, 3HU, and 3BFM.

3UA congratulated the president and other officers elected, and returned the chair to 3SJ.

3SJ spoke briefly about future club activities.

3UA spoke of a recent visit to Grand Marias and proposed a ham fest there.

3AFQ mentioned negotiations with Duluth amateurs for a ham fest.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Bruce Grant
3 Sf.

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THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS

Our last meeting was held in the Lorna Doone Tea Room on May 15, 1946.

Following the introduction of members and guests, the minutes were read. B. O'Brien, 3UA moved the minutes be adopted as read and H. Dow, 3AFQ seconded the motion.

Each committee was called upon by the president 3SJ to present its report:

Ham Activities	-	R. Parker 3HU
Monitoring	-	G. Andrews 3BPM
Financial	-	R. Greer 3ACV
Membership	-	A. Moorby 3AZJ

A. Moorby
call should read
VE3AZK

The president called upon 3FW, P. O'Shea who spoke briefly about antenna arrays.

The president announced a discussion period -- giving the topics to be discussed and asked members to take part in an informal manner. P. O'Shea (FW), C. MacDonald (GS), B. O'Brien (UA), R. Parker (3HU), and Ed. Gareau (AMN) took part in this discussion.

The president asked someone to place a motion of adjournment - R. Godsalve (RA) placed the motion and H. Dow (AFQ) seconded the motion.

Bruce Grant
3AJ.

The Canadian Amateur Radio Operators' Association

TORONTO, ONTARIO

PUBLISHERS OF

XTAL

VE3CAR

3760 KC

Please Reply to:

46 Dunvegan Road,
TORONTO 12, Ontario.

May 16th, 1946

Mr. Ray Greer,
Secretary,
Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters,
FORT WILLIAM, Ontario.

Dear Ray:

Thank you for your fine letter regarding your election and report of attendance.

A number of other clubs in Ontario and across Canada are endeavouring to obtain 100% CAROA membership. It's an exciting race to see who gets it first!

Enclosed are a number of applications as requested. We hope you are able to use them all.

XTAL should be along anyday now. We are having great difficulty with short-handed printers and a seemingly thousand other matters. Canadian Amateur Radio is growing by leaps and bounds and it takes some going to keep abreast of it all.

Your most welcome report will appear in May XTAL. You might ask the gang up there to pay particular attention to page 6 of March issue in which article an all Canadian Amateur Traffic Sysytem is proposed. Any traffic aspirants would be welcomed by R.C. Hunt of 103 Garfield Ave., London, Ontario who is now District Communications Manager of Ontario in CAROA.

Thanks again and keep an ear peeled for
Ve3CAR on 3760 KC.

73,

THE CANADIAN AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS' ASSOCIATION.

John V. Perdue
John V. Perdue, Ve3QK

The Canadian Amateur Radio Operators' Association

TORONTO, ONTARIO

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3760 kc

Please Reply to:

46 Dunvegan Road,
Toronto 12, Ontario.

May 27th, 1946

Ray Greer,
Fort William, Ont.

Dear Ray:

Many thanks indeed for your letter of May 13th, together with membership application form, and the latest news of the Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters. The membership card has been mailed directly to 3UA.

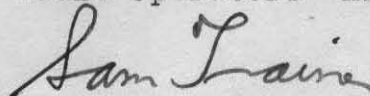
Enclosed please find application forms as requested, and thanks for requiring them. We note from the list of attendants at your April meeting that the following are not yet members of the Association; RA, ACV, AGA, AFQ and AKI, while FW's renewal is due. Your efforts on our behalf are greatly appreciated. We are now almost 1900 strong and every one more surely helps when it comes to getting advertising, which is the real requirement in order to make ends meet.

Our 350 watt transmitter should be ready to go on phone and cw on all bands in about three weeks. We hope then to be able to QSO you fellows, and thus save a lot of letter-writing.

Thanks again, Ray, and please keep XTAL informed on your Club's doings.

73

The Canadian Amateur Radio Operators' Association



S.B. Trainer Jr., VE3GT
Vice-President

186x Polson Ave..
Winnipeg, June 5th/46

Royal City A.R.C. New Westminster B.C.
B.C. A.R.A., Vancouver.
Victoria Short Wave Club, Victoria
N.A.R.C. Edmonton.
M.J.A.R.C. Moose Jaw.
Regina Radio Trans. Club, Regina.
G.L.W.B. Fort William
1000 Is.A.R.A., Brockville, Ont.
Wireless Assn of Ontario, Toronto.
St. Maurice Valley A.R.A. Trois Rivers, Que.
Ottawa A.R.T. Assn. Ottawa.
Halifax A.R.C. Halifax.

Attached herewith are mimeographed copies of correspondence between the Winnipeg Amateur Radio Club and Alex Reid, Canadian GM ARRL, and with Sam Trainer of the VE Op's Assn on a subject of general interest to Canadian amateurs.

It was agreed by our club that these copies be distributed among the various amateur clubs across Canada, and are presented with the hope that they will be found of interest to your organization.

Best wishes from the Winnipeg gang

WINNIPEG AMATEUR RADIO CLUB.

Jack L. Green
Jack L. Green, VE4BQ, Pres.

Ray - I'd suggest you ACKNOWLEDGE this clope
& we'll discuss it at our next meeting

JUNE 26/46.

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W I N N I P E G A M A T E U R R A D I O C L U B

Winnipeg, Man. June 4th. 1946

To all club members:

At our general meeting held on May 29th there was read to the assembly correspondence between our club and Mr. Alex Reid, C.G.M., A.R.R.L. and with the Canadian Amateur Radio Op's Assn on the important subject of amateur frequency assignments. Due to the great importance of this subject at this particular time and to the fact that possibly some members have not fully digested all the contents of this correspondence, we have prepared mimeographed copies for distribution to members.

It was suggested and agreed at our meeting that our club reply to Mr. Reid and Mr. Trainer, acknowledging their letters and to inform them that the W.A.R.C. stands solidly behind both organizations in their efforts in this direction. It was further agreed that copies of this correspondence be forwarded to the other amateur radio clubs across Canada. These copies will be mailed accordingly.

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Members are reminded of our next club meeting being held on Monday night June 17th in the Club Room, 4th floor Free Press Bldg. at 8.PM.

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COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE

Winnipeg May 15th. 1946

Mr. Alex Reid,
C.G.M. A.R.R.L.
St. Lambert, Que.

Dear Alex:

The recently-formed Winnipeg Amateur Radio Club is holding a general meeting on the 29th of this month and on the agenda we would like to present to the members the latest official status on amateur frequency allocations, especially any proposals affecting the Canadian amateur.

It is our understanding from WLAW bulletins that the following frequencies are suggested by the League and are being presented to the FCC in Washington for their consideration:

CW	3500 - 3850	7000 - 7200	14000-14200	28,000- 28,500
PHONE	3850 - 4000	7200 - 7300	14200-14400	28,500- 29,000

We are assuming that the above proposals will apply to Canada. You might let us know what information you have on this and also if you have anything on the Canadian amateur's reaction to the proposal, as it obviously involves considerable changes in our former allocations.

I would personally appreciate your giving all the information you can on the subject and would like to have your reply reach here before May 29th so that the whole subject can be aired at our meeting.

In case you have not heard about it, I might mention that the W.A.R.C. is now a very active club. It is a consolidation of the former five clubs which existed in this city, and has approximately 100 on the mailing list.

With best personal regards Alex, I remain

Yours sincerely,

Lakehead Amateur Radio Club History Project

JACK L. GREEN.
Pres. W.A.R.C.

COPY

THE AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE, INC. CANADIAN SECTION

May 22nd, 1946

Mr. Jack L. Green,
186 Polson Ave.,
WINNIPEG.

Dear Jack:

Replying to your letter of the 15th instant, the bulletins which you have heard broadcast from WIAW are the results of the Board meeting held at Hartford on May 10th, and naturally will affect only the U.S. amateurs. The assignments in the 20 meter and 40 meter bands, if passed by the F.C.C. will only become effective when those bands are returned in their entirety.

For your information the 80 meter band was returned to us Canadians by the DOT at noon yesterday, to its pre-war status - namely 3500-3800 CW and 3800-4000 for Class "A" telephone, and pre-war power of 500 watts to antenna.

With regard to the opening of the 20 and 40 meter bands, I expect we will have at least half of each of these bands returned to us by July 1st. I don't know at the moment how the small portion of these bands can be split up for telephone and CW, but I expect we will set aside a few KC's for phone use too. When we get our entire 20 and 40 meter bands back, which I expect before the end of 1946, I would suggest we open, providing the U.S. boys get it, 7200-7300 KC for telephone, and leave the 20 meter band as we had it before the War, until next March, when we can decide whether or not we want to line up all our phone frequencies with the U.S.A. This is going to be a terrific question to settle and it will have to be decided by the Canadian boys, the majority opinion to rule.

I am also very much in favor of splitting the 10 meter band to read 28000-28500 CW and 28500-29700 telephone.

I hope you understand this rambling story of mine, and that it will be of some interest to your club members. I would also like to take this opportunity of wishing your Club every success. I feel that consolidation of the former five clubs will be of great benefit to all amateurs in Winnipeg, and will facilitate to a great extent in arriving at decisions vital to Amateur regulations.

With kind personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

A. REID.

THE CANADIAN AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS' ASSOCIATION.

Toronto, May 27th, 1946

Mr. Jack Green,
WINNIPEG.

Dear Jack:

Many thanks for your letter of the 17th, together with enclosure of a copy of a letter sent to the CGM.

I had hoped we could have an executive meeting before replying, but as that is not possible in time to get this to you for the 29th, am replying personally.

Since writing your letter the old pre-war part of 75 phone is available to VE's, i.e. 3800-4000 kc. Frankly I am not aware what allocations are planned for us in the other bands. As you know Ottawa recognizes the Canadian Section of the ARRL and the CGM, in regard to such matters. In pre-war days the CGM used to ask all ARRL officials and Canadian affiliated clubs for their views. We are affiliated with the ARRL, but have had no requests from the CGM. Naturally that does not prevent our voicing our opinions, but before the war there was a feeling .. most erroneous...that we were out to kick the ARRL out of Canada, and that we were anti-ARRL. Nothing could be more wrong, for our executive was made up of 100% ARRL members, and several were either ex-SOMs, ORS, etc etc. We merely felt, and still do, that Canada should

have its own organization, run entirely by Canadians...patterning ourselves after the ARRL, and seeking their excellent counsel when necessary. Now, since our re-activation, we have been most careful to stay out of the political angle, and intend to continue to do so to the best of our ability. There is no place in ham radio for fighting or ill-feeling. However, we do ~~xxx~~ think every VE should have a say in his hobby, and not necessarily have to be an ARRL member to be heard or recognized.

You ask what stand we are taking in the matter of these frequencies. All I can say is that at the present we are taking no stand. Not one of our members have expressed any opinions, and the way our constitution is set up our executive is not in a position to speak for the members without a referendum.

If the VEs at some future date consider our organization more logical to express opinions to Ottawa, well and good. If they never do it, it does not affect us. We think Canada should have its own mag and I think you will agree we are giving the members at least their dollars' worth per annum. We now have over 1900 members from Coast to Coast, half the total prewar VEs, and while we are doing everything we can to build up our membership, it is only natural to expect a certain number will never be members. If one of our members should write in requesting we do something specifically, then our executive will act. In the meantime we are steadily growing and expect to be 2500 strong by fall.

We could take the bull by the horns and ask the VEs thru XTAL, what phone frequencies they desire. That would start a row at once as I see it. There is no doubt in the world that the CGM has done an excellent job for us. We have many special phone frequencies in order for our low power to compete with the California KVs across the line. Or, I should say, we did have before the war, and there is no reason to believe we will not have again as bands are released.

I must admit you may consider this a weak-kneed policy, but it appears better than starting any row.... particularly if such a row would lead only to ill-feeling, and no benefits.

We believe Canada should be represented in the British Empire Radio Union by a VE organization, and not the Canadian Section of the ARRL, but the RSGB will not recognize us in the Empire until the ARRL do. That does not seem right from an Empire point of view. However, while such a condition exists, we certainly do not wish to become embroiled in politics. We are too busy getting a VE magazine together, anyway.

Again referring to your letter you ask the reactions of our organization. Our members haven't expressed opinions, so that we as an organization are in much the same position as the CGM must be. It is not a good state. But if the VEs are content to forget the democratic way, and are happy, then it's up to them.

73 Jack, and hope to have a QSO one of these nights. I ~~xxxx~~ have heard you several times.

(Sgd)

SAM TRAINER, VE3GT.

186 Polson Ave., Winnipeg.
May 31st, 1946

Mr. Alex Reid,
C.G.M. A.R.R.L.
ST. LAMBERT, Que.

Dear Alex:

Many thanks for your letter of May 22nd dealing with our communication to you requesting information on the latest status on amateur band assignments.

Your letter was read at our general meeting of May 29th which incidentally, was attended by practically all of the active hams of the Greater Winnipeg area, and was received with very great interest by all.

Naturally, the point of paramount interest is the return of the 20 and 40 meter bands, and we are certainly glad to learn that it is your opinion we will be getting back portions at least, of these bands by July 1st.

In connection with the fono and CW divisions of the different bands, the points raised in your letter were discussed and it was generally agreed that the proposals put forward by the League to the F.C.C. are fair to all. Some members hold, however, that it is premature to begin discussing the division of the bands before the frequencies themselves are restored to us in their entirety.

There was some discussion on the points mentioned in paragraph three of your letter referring to the former frequency allocations for fono and CW, and that you consider this will be a tremendous question to settle. The view expressed at our meeting was that this should not present any great problem. CW should have its own exclusive portion of the band, and Fono likewise, with no over-lapping. If this policy is adopted internationally, our amateur bands will be properly organized and not in the mess they are in at the present time.

Summing up the discussions on this whole subject at our meeting it was agreed that the Winnipeg Amateur Radio Club stands solidly behind both the ARRL and C.A.R. Op's Assn ~~xxxxxx~~ ~~xxxxxx~~ in their endeavours on behalf and in the best interest of the Canadian amateur fraternity as a whole.

Another point expressed by the assembly which should be passed along to you is that our club feels that the Canadian section of the ARRL and the Canadian Amateur Radio Op's Assn should work hand in hand and co-operate 100% one with the other. We feel that Canada should have its own organization working in full co-operation and affiliation with the ARRL.

Thanking you again Alex, for your letter, and the information it contained we can assure you, has been found very useful and informative.

With very best wishes, we remain

Yours sincerely,

WINNIPEG AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Lakehead Amateur Radio Club History Project
Jack E. Green, VE4BQ, Pres.

Alex. Parnley VE4AD, Vice Pres.

515 East Mary Street,
FORT WILLIAM, Ontario,
June 51th., 1946.

Winnipeg Amateur Radio Club,
186 Polson Ave.,
WINNIPEG, Manitoba.

Dear OM:

Thank you for your letter of recent date and enclosure.

This letter will be read and under discussion at our next regular monthly meeting.

With best regards to all your gang, we are,

Yours sincerely,

R. T. Greer,

The Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters,

1946

The Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters

This club met June 26th., in the Lorna Doone Tea Room. The president, 3SJ, opened the meeting following the usual procedure of calling the roll and introducing guests.

The minutes of the meeting of May 15th., were not read

Having read the correspondence the president introduced P. O. MacKenzie who told us of possible future ham activities with the Royal Canadian Navy.

Copies of the constitution were passed to all present.

At this point Ralph Parker, 3HU, chairman of th Ham Activities Committee, was introduced. 3HU and committee were in charge of the evening's entertainment. Pictures on FM and television were shown. There was a drawing for prizes, donated by various firms who had been contacted by 3HU. At the conclusion of the programme Ralph Parker spoke of bootlegging of calls, and asked that members make a united effort to combat this.

Harold Dow, 3AFQ, suggested that he, Bert Tamblin, 3ANP, and Bob Andrews, 3BFM, set up loops in order to trace bootlegging. P. O. MacKenzie advised that the Chief Yeoman of Signals of H.M.C.S. Griffon kept watch for bootlegging.

The president announced that there would be no meeting during the month of July, but, that a meeting or ham fest would be held on August 21st., at Chippewa Park, all arrangements to be taken care of by the monitoring committee.

The meeting was then adjourned.

R. A. MacKenzie
VE3LA

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VICTORIA SHORT WAVE CLUB, INC.

The President,
Canadian Amateur Radio Operators' Association.
46 Dunvegan Road,
Toronto, 12, Ontario.

Dear OM:

In accordance with a resolution passed at the regular meeting of the Victoria Short Wave Club held on June 28, 1946, I am writing to notify you of the content of the resolution.

We propose that the Canadian Amateur Radio Operators' Association shall represent Canadian amateurs in the International Amateur Radio Union, and request that you make application for such to that body.

This is a matter which has been engaging our attention for some time since the resumption of amateur activity, and has been discussed at several meetings of our club and its officers. It is our belief that the time has come for us Canadians to stand on our own feet and seek representation on the International Amateur Radio Union from among ourselves in preference to depending on the kindness of a neighbour. We feel that this is in keeping with the establishment of Canadian embassies or their equivalents abroad; with our plans to secure a distinctive national flag; and with our recognition as a member of the United Nations.

It should be noted that we intend no slight to Alex. Reid, or the American Radio Relay League, both of whom have represented us very ably heretofore; that we appreciate the support the League has given Canadian hams, and hope for their continued support. Our understanding of the situation is as follows:

Alex. Reid, as Canadian General Manager of the American Radio Relay League, has been recognized by our government at Ottawa as the representative of the largest organized group of amateurs in Canada and therefore the logical person to speak for them when their desires are under consideration by the regulatory authorities of radio

in this country. As such he is recognized and consulted by the Radio Branch of the Department of Transport, and he seeks the opinions of all Canadian amateurs, be they members of the American Radio Relay League or not, in reporting to the League Headquarters and the Radio Branch.

We think that the times and circumstances have changed somewhat since that system was inaugurated, and that the percentage of Canadian members of the League in the ranks of the active amateurs has decreased considerably since the cessation of activities in 1939, while on the other hand we have an organization of our own which is growing steadily. A number of the older members of the Victoria Short Wave Club, for example, have been members of the American Radio Relay League for many years, and have no intention of dropping out now, but the appeal of a national group of our own has attracted a considerably larger number of the newer members of the club as well as old timers.

Well, there you have it. We earnestly hope that you will support us, and that all possible publicity be given the idea in order to evoke expressions of opinions and ideas from amateurs and clubs all across the country. For our part, we are writing to a number of other Canadian clubs to inform them of our stand.

Cordially yours,

Victoria Short Wave Club;

David Scholes, VE7DY,
Secretary.

NORTH SHORE RADIO CLUB

REPRESENTING RADIO AMATEURS IN
OSHAWA, BOWMANVILLE, COLUMBUS, ASHBURN,
AJAX, BROUGHAM, AND WHITBY, ONTARIO.

JULY 12, 1946.

TO:
ALL CANADIAN RADIO AMATEURS &
ALL CANADIAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUBS.

DEAR OM:

THE FOLLOWING EXCERPT IS TAKEN FROM THE MINUTES
OF THE ARRL DIRECTORS' MEETING APPEARING IN JULY QST:

"FURTHER ON PHONE MATTERS, THE BOARD
REQUESTED ITS CANADIAN GENERAL MANAGER
TO SECURE UNIFORMITY IN THE CANADIAN
PHONE REGULATIONS TO CONFORM WITH THOSE
OF THE UNITED STATES."

WE HAVE SENT THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM TO ALEX
REID, ARRL CANADIAN GENERAL MANAGER:

"REFERENCE BOARD REPORT JULY QST TO
SECURE CONFORMITY TO USA PHONE BANDS.
NORTH SHORE RADIO CLUB EMPHATICALLY
PROTESTS IMPLIED LOSS OF PHONE FREQUENCIES
OUTSIDE OF USA BANDS."

WE BELIEVE THIS MATTER IS OF THE UTMOST
IMPORTANCE TO EVERY CANADIAN HAM.

WE FEEL THAT ALL CANADIAN HAMS ARE INTERESTED
IN MAINTAINING PHONE PRIVILEGES FREE OF HIGH POWER
USA QRM DUE TO ECONOMIC LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY
HIGH COST OF EQUIPMENT IN CANADA.

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VICTORIA SHORT WAVE CLUB

1614 Pine wood Avenue,
Victoria, B.C.,
July 3, 1946.

Dear OMs:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter which we think may be of particular interest to you. If you think so, we suggest that you write to the C.A.R.O.A., or XTAL, or both, and state your opinions.

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V.S.W.C. per

David Scholes

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Secretary.

15 July 1946

240 LOGAN AVE.,
ST. LAMBERT, QUE.

I HAVE RECEIVED A COPY OF A LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF CAROA, AND I BELIEVE MANY CLUBS ACROSS CANADA HAVE ALSO RECEIVED A COPY.

IN REPLY I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS:

FIRSTLY, CANADA HAS BEEN REPRESENTED IN THE IARU FOR THE PAST FIFTEEN YEARS. THERE IS NO QUESTION OF HER HAVING TO DEPEND "ON THE KINDNESS OF A NEIGHBOR".

SECONDLY, STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE REGARDING THE PERCENTAGE OF ACTIVE AMATEURS IN THE RANKS OF ARRL MEMBERS HAVING DECREASED CONSIDERABLY SINCE 1939 IS NOT BORNE OUT BY FACTS. LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP IS ACTUALLY AT AN ALL-TIME HIGH - OVER 2000, AND A STUDY OF THE MEMBERSHIP LIST REVEALS THAT IT INCLUDES A VERY HIGH PERCENTAGE OF ACTIVE CANADIAN HAMS.

THIRDLY, I WOULD POINT OUT THAT THE LEAGUE IS, AND ALWAYS HAS BEEN, READY TO DISBAND ITS CANADIAN SECTION WHENEVER A CANADIAN AMATEUR BODY APPEARS THAT IS STRONG ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO DO A CONTINUOUS JOB FOR THE HAM IN CANADA. I MYSELF WOULD ALSO SUPPORT SUCH A CANADIAN ORGANIZATION. UP TO NOW, HOWEVER, THERE EXISTS NO SUCH GROUP TO MY KNOWLEDGE THAT HAS GIVEN EVIDENCE OF BEING ABLE TO FINANCE THE HEAVY EXPENDITURE NECESSARY TO SAFEGUARD THE INTERESTS OF THE AMATEUR IN THIS COUNTRY. AND I SPEAK FROM YEARS OF FIRST-HAND EXPERIENCE WHEN I TELL YOU THAT IT IS DEFINITELY AN EXPENSIVE JOB - AND ONE IN WHICH THE LEAGUE, WITH ITS ADEQUATE RESOURCES, HAS WILLINGLY ASSISTED US AT ALL TIMES.

TO MY MIND THE QUESTION OF BREAKING AWAY FROM THE LEAGUE IS ONE THAT SHOULD BE GIVEN THE CLOSEST SCRUTINY BY ALL CANADIAN HAMS. THE FOLLOWING POINT SHOULD PARTICULARLY BE CONSIDERED. SUPPOSING A CANADIAN ORGANIZATION TAKES OVER THE JOB - AND IN A YEAR OR TWO, WHEN THE NECESSARY REVENUE BECOMES MORE DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN, THE ORGANIZATION FINDS IT IMPOSSIBLE TO CARRY ON, WHAT THEN WILL BE OUR POSITION? CAN WE GO BACK TO THE LEAGUE FOR THEIR SUPPORT AGAIN? I THINK NOT. I DO NOT SAY THIS WILL HAPPEN - BUT I DO SAY THAT BEFORE ABANDONING THE LEAGUE IN CANADA I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SOME DEFINITE EVIDENCE, BACKED UP BY A FEW YEARS' EXPERIENCE THAT ANY CANADIAN ORGANIZATION WISHING TO TAKE ON SUCH A JOB, IS CAPABLE FINANCIALLY AND OTHERWISE, OF CARRYING ON THE SUCCESSFUL WORK THAT THE LEAGUE'S CANADIAN SECTION HAS BEEN DOING IN THE PAST.

ANOTHER MATTER THAT HAS BEEN CAUSING CONSIDERABLE CONCERN AND WHICH I THINK REQUIRES AN EXPLANATION. IT APPEARS THAT IN MANY CASES MR. SHELDON'S MOTION HAS BEEN WRONGLY INTERPRETED. THE ARRL BOARD, AT ITS LAST MEETING, PUT THROUGH A MOTION REQUESTING ME TO SECURE UNIFORMITY IN CANADIAN PHONE FREQUENCIES WITH THOSE OF THE U.S.A. THIS IS NOTHING NEW, THE U.S.A. HAMS HAVE BEEN ENVIOUS OF OUR EXTRA PHONE FREQUENCIES FOR THE PAST 12 YEARS OR MORE, AND AT EVERY BOARD MEETING THEY HAVE MADE PRACTICALLY THE SAME SUGGESTION. I REMEMBER AT SEVERAL BOARD MEETINGS PHONE MEN HAVE SENT THEIR REPRESENTATIVES DEMANDING THAT THEY BE GIVEN THE SAME AMOUNT OF KC'S FOR THEIR USE AS WE CANADIANS ENJOYED. I ALWAYS WAS OF THE OPINION THAT MOST CANADIANS KNEW THAT THIS WAS AN ANNUAL REQUEST, IN FACT, EVERY DIRECTOR BEGAN TO SMILE WHEN THIS MOTION WAS PUT BEFORE THE BOARD. I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT AS FAR AS I WAS CONCERNED IT WAS TREATED AS THE ANNUAL JOKE, AND PLEASE BE ASSURED THAT I HAVE NO INTENTION OF PAYING ANY ATTENTION TO THEIR REQUEST, ANY MORE THAN I HAVE IN THE PAST YEARS. THIS IS A QUESTION TO BE SETTLED BY THE CANADIAN AMATEURS THEMSELVES. IT IS UP TO US TO DECIDE HOW WE WANT OUR BANDS SPLIT INTO CW AND PHONE SECTIONS. IT IS GOING TO BE DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE WHAT THE OUTCOME OF THIS PHONE VERSUS CW QUESTION WILL BE IF THE U.S.A. KEEP ON GIVING THEIR PHONE MEN MORE KC'S AND WE KEEP AHEAD OF THEM BY ALLOTING MORE TO OUR PHONE MEN. ALL THE BANDS WILL BE PHONE AND NOTHING LEFT FOR CW, AND KEEP IN MIND THE CW BOYS ARE STILL IN THE MAJORITY.

MR. BROWN, ACTING CONTROLLER OF RADIO, HAS PROMISED ME THAT WHEN WE SECURE OUR FULL BAND WIDTHS, ALL OUR PRE-WAR PHONE PRIVILEGES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE 160 METER BAND, WILL BE RETURNED TO US, EFFECTIVE UNTIL MARCH 31, 1947.

SOME TIME PRIOR TO THAT DATE I SUGGEST THAT A POLL BE TAKEN IN CANADA ON HOW THE MAJORITY WISH TO HAVE THE BANDS SPLIT FOR CW AND PHONE OPERATION, THE MAJORITY'S OPINION TO BE INCORPORATED, PROVIDING OUR GOVERNMENT AGREES WITH THIS, INTO OUR 1947-1948 LICENCES. IN THE MEANTIME THERE IS NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT THE LOSS OF THE 50 KC IN THE 80 METER BAND.

MANY OF US HAVE THE WRONG IDEA WHEN WE SAY IT'S HIGH TIME THE ARRL GET BUSY AND CATER TO THE CANADIAN MEMBERS. WE ARE RUNNING OUR OWN AFFAIRS, THEY NEVER BUTT IN ON THE WAY WE ARE HANDLING CANADIAN RADIO. THEY DID NOT INTEND TO ANTAGONIZE US BY MERELY SUGGESTING THAT WE LINE UP OUR PHONES WITH THEIRS, AND BE ASSURED THAT AT NO TIME HAVE THE ARRL TRIED TO DICTATE WHAT OUR POLICY SHOULD BE. IT'S BEYOND ME TO COMPREHEND WHY SUCH A FEELING SHOULD BE PREVALENT AMONGST QUITE A FEW OF US, THAT OUTSIDE INFLUENCES ARE ATTEMPTING TO DEPRIVE US OF OUR CANADIAN RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES. I THINK IT IS HIGH TIME THAT WE SIT DOWN TO OUR HOBBY AND FORGET SUCH PETTY POLITICS.

WISHING YOU ALL PLENTY OF DX AND MANY PLEASANT QSO'S.

YOURS TRULY,



CANADIAN GENERAL MANAGER

AR/LJ

The Canadian Amateur Radio Operators' Association

TORONTO, ONTARIO

PUBLISHERS OF

XTAL

July 31, 1946.

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Please Reply to:

To All Canadian Amateur Radio Clubs:

By this time the name of the Canadian Amateur Radio Operators' Association is probably familiar to the majority of VE's. The magazine XTAL has been welcomed everywhere as the first all-Canadian publication devoted entirely to amateur radio, and it is becoming increasingly obvious that it has won unanimous support. As a logical result of its activities to date, certain questions are being asked by members and non-members alike: what is the policy behind the Association? does it intend to restrict its efforts to the publication of a magazine? does it intend to seek recognition by the Department of Transport as the official representative of Canadian amateurs? This letter will attempt to answer some of these questions, which, we realize, have gone too long unanswered.

To start with, it has probably been made clear that the Association was formed by a very small group of Toronto hams who have no commercial interests, and who can lay claim to no more technical, physical, mental or financial qualifications than possessed by most hams in this country. They were, however, inhabited by the germ of an idea: the conviction that a national amateur association was desirable from many points of view, not because the work of the ARRL was considered unsatisfactory, but because its activities could be supplemented by an organization which would provide a medium for the expression of Canadian opinion on all subjects, as well as contests and other activities of prime interest to VE's. Last but not least, it would help to give the hams of this country a sense of nationalistic pride in their endeavours, distinct from those of any other country.

That the need did actually exist is corroborated by hundreds and hundreds of letters in our files. This, naturally, is gratifying to the group who originated the movement, but they do not feel that the response has empowered them to take matters into their own hands. Rather they feel, more than ever before, subordinated to the wishes of over two thousand members. Lately, however, those members have been letting Headquarters know that they feel the need extends beyond the obvious one of a national publication. They want their Association to represent them at Ottawa when frequencies are being allocated, to negotiate changes in rules and regulations, to speak for Canadian amateurs at international conferences. Some come right out and say that they want the CAROA to supplant the ARRL in this country and to apply for membership in the IARU as a separate unit. Let's consider these matters briefly.

First, we think that the officers of any Association should act, as far as possible, as the members wish them to act. In accordance with numerous requests, a poll will be taken in the near future on a currently controversial subject, that of phone-cw allocations. When the results of this poll are received, they will be communicated to the Department of Transport and we have every reason to believe that they will be carefully considered.

Second, with regard to the suggestion that the CAROA replace the ARRL in Canada. We quote By-law 30 attached to the Constitution of The American Radio Relay League (revised to July 1, 1946):

"The policy of the League in Canada shall be that of a friendly hand for the amateurs of a sister country pending their growth to such numbers and strength that their ability to form and conduct a self-governing non-commercial amateur organization throughout the Dominion is evident. The activities of the League in Canada shall be regarded as a temporary stewardship undertaken at the request of Canadian amateurs. Whenever Canadian amateurs shall petition for their own organization, and it is manifest to a majority of the entire Board of Directors that the success of a separate Dominion organization is assured, the Board of Directors shall aid in establishing and proclaiming a separate all-Canadian organization to operate under a constitution similar in tenor to that of this League; and this League shall henceforth relinquish all direct activity in Canada."

It is obvious from the above that no political problem exists in this connection and that the door is open for the CAROA to assume control in Canada. But let's consider the responsibilities of our Association if it were suddenly confronted with the authority to represent Canada in amateur affairs. It would need a good-sized staff of capable men working full-time, and an office of considerable proportions to accommodate them. The staff must be able to travel to Ottawa, to Hartford, to meetings of affiliated clubs, abroad if necessary. Its Directors must attend regular meetings. A Headquarters station must be operated, XTAL published, votes taken, and so on. Now all this isn't fantastic; a visit to ARRL Headquarters will reveal that even a non-commercial venture has limitless possibilities if intelligently managed. But frankly the CAROA is not in this position. Its troubles, admittedly, are in the main financial. Starting with no capital, it has two sources of revenue: membership fees, and advertising income from XTAL. It has unlimited sources of outgo: XTAL, which costs 15¢ per copy to publish, but which is sold at 10¢; a staff of three, which often has to exist on faith, hope and gratuities; rent, telephone, agency commissions, stationery, postage, and so on and so on. This picture, we believe, will improve from now on, but inevitably it will take time. We are not begging for handouts, nor are we expecting miracles; but we do want and need the support of every ham in Canada. We want your memberships, your club news, your articles for XTAL, and above all, your support and your patience. If you have any suggestions for the Association's management or the conduct of its activities, it is your right and duty to communicate them to Headquarters for consideration by the Executive. Every effort is being made to expand the Association's usefulness, but in the meantime its limitations must be understood.

It is hoped that this letter will help to clarify matters in the minds of your club's officers and members. We regret that it must be substituted for a personal visit by one of the Headquarters staff. Your comments will help us steer our future course.

T. G. E. POWELL, VE3ZE
President.

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The Canadian Lakehead Wirless Experimenters

Our last regular meeting was held in the Lorna Doone Tea Room on Sept 12th., with Ray Godsalve (3RA), in the chair.

The chairman asked that the minutes of the last meeting be read. Bert Lambert, (3BKY), and Geo Owen, (3AZK), motioned that the minutes be adopted as read, which motion was carried.

Ralph Parker, (3HU), read the correspondence. One of the letters, which was from CARO concerned principally a suggestion that a phone band be introduced on forty meters. A lengthy discussion followed in which we heard pro and con opinions from Les Harris, Ralph Parker, (3HU), Eric Lambert, (3BV), H. Dow, (3AFQ), Bob Douglas, and Geo. Fraser, (3BED). The chairman called for a vote as to how many present favoured forty meter phone. The results were 18 to 1 against forty meter phone. The secretary was then instructed to write CAROA to the effect that the lakehead hams were strongly opposed to a phone allocation on the forty meter band.

The different work committees were called upon for their reports.

The chairman of the monitoring committee, Bob Andrews, (3BFM), tendered his resignation, which was accepted. Bob will attend school in Toronto, as also will Ed Gareau, (3AMN). The chairman wished them every success.

Bob Andrews' resignation vacated a place on our executive council, so nominations were held for that position. Three names were placed before the membership. F. Rolley, (3AWV), sponsored by Ed Gareau and B. Rudman, B. O'Brien, (3UA), sponsored by R. Godsalve and H. Dow, and B. Tamblin, (3AMN), sponsored by E. Lambert and E. Pattyson. On motion of B. Andrews and B. Rudman nominations were closed. The chairman announced that the election would take place at our regular monthly meeting of October 16th.

The secretary announced that the club has set up a directory to list all hams resident in the lakehead area. Fellow members are asked to contact the secretary when they learn of new hams.

B. Rudman and W. Blennerhassett motioned that every third regular meeting of the club be held in Port Arthur. The motion was carried.

R. Parker suggested a late penalty of .10¢ be assessed members who arrive late at our regular monthly meeting. This motion was carried.

E. Lambert suggested that old or unused parts be brought to our regular monthly meetings for sale or swap.

On motion of Les Harris and Geo Owen the meeting was adjourned.



1946

The Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters

On September 13th., the Executive Council met at the home of the president, Bruce Grant, (3SJ).

The president was advised of what took place at our last regular meeting.

A programme was prepared for our next regular meeting which will be held in Murray's Grill, Port Arthur, on October 16th.

Members in attendance: Ralph Parker, (3HU)
Pat O'Shea, (3FW)
Ray Godsalve, (3RA)
Bruce Grant, (3SJ)
Ray Greer, (3CH)

The meeting was then adjourned.

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THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS.

THE MINUTES

This Club met October 16th, Murray's Grill, Port Arthur. Due to the absence of our President and Vice-President, the meeting was presided over by Ralph ^{PARKER} ~~Parker~~ VEJHU. Following the roll call the members and guests were introduced. B. ^{RUOMAN} ~~Reidman~~, 3 4E and B. O'Brien, 3 U A, motioned the minutes of the last meeting be adopted as read.

A discussion followed regarding what should be done with the money realized by the fine of .10¢ for late members. On motion of B. O'Brien, 3 U A, it was decided to put the money in the general fund.

At this point the chairman advised the assembly that a number of persons had had applications for Ham Exams, in the hands of the R.I. for some time, and, he asked the members and guests to voice their opinions as to what action this club should take. Varied expressions, condemnations and recommendations were heard on all sides. Finally, P. O'Shea, 3 F W and A Foulton, 3 AKI, motioned that a letter be written the R.I, expressing this club's displeasure with the whole situation and asking him to take immediate action.

An election for councillor, with B. O'Brien, 3 U A, as the successful candidate, followed.

The Chairman introduced P. O'Shea, 3 F W, who gave us an interesting picture of early amateur and preamateur radio.

The meeting was then adjourned.

November 1946.

RTG/EMD.

Bruce Grant
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CANADIAN LAKEHEAD



WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS

FORT WILLIAM

PORT ARTHUR

Bruce Grant, VE3SJ, President
720 S. Norah St., Fort William

R. T. Greer, VE3CH, Secretary,
515 E. Mary St., Fort William

October 30th, 1946

Mr. A. C. Powkey,
Radio Inspector,
Department of Transport,
FORT WILLIAM, Ont.

Dear Sir,

It was brought to our attention at the last meeting of this Club, that there are a number of prospective Radio Amateurs who have been kept waiting a length of time which appears to us to be out of all reason, for their examinations.

We have contacted these people and find they are still ready and anxious to sit for their examination.

It would be appreciated by this Club if you would arrange to give these prospective Amateurs their examinations as soon as possible.

Their names, addresses and the dates on which their applications were made are as follows:

Mrs. Frances Tamblyn, 20 Jean St. Port Arthur,
April 6th, 1946,
Angelo De Giacomo, 720 McGillvary St., Fort William,
April 6th, 1946,
Lyle Bennet, 66 Jean St., Port Arthur,
Spring, 1946.
W. Roberts, 113 S. Windermere Ave., Port Arthur,
December, 1945.

A further motion was made to the effect that we as a Club wish to aid the Radio Inspector in every way possible to further the cause of Amateur Radio, and to trace interference such as power leaks, etc.

We also wish to go on record at this time renewing the offer made you this Spring that members of our monitoring committee will be on call to aid the Inspector in tracing off-frequency and boot-leg operations.

Yours very truly,



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT

REFER TO FILE NUMBER
6202-1

Customs Bldg., Fort William, Ontario,
November 2nd, 1946.

Dear Mr. Greer:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo, and take this opportunity of thanking you for your assistance in the policing of the assigned amateur frequencies and your offer to assist in the suppression of inductive interference.

It is regretted that there are forced delays in the examinations of prospective amateurs, however, with other assigned work there has been no alternative.

Examinations are being held at this office between December 20-31st, amateur experimental, commercial, and radiotelephone (Airline pilots etc.). Each candidate will be advised of the exact date sometime during December.

Seven prospective amateurs were already on the list and I have added the names of Mr. A. De Giacomo and Mr. L. Bennet.

After the close of navigation I will have at least one assistant and it is hoped that thereafter examinations will be held at more frequent intervals.

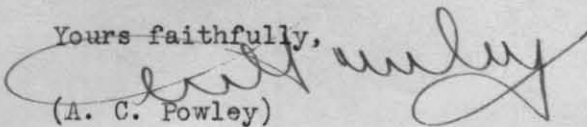
It has been noted that in the past some candidates submit a Certificate of Registration of Birth instead of the Birth Certificate. Only the latter is satisfactory and it might be advisable to bring this to the attention of any prospective amateurs who have not been in touch with this office.

For your information I quote from a wire received from Toronto this morning:

"Following amateur frequencies released effective immediately stop telegraph 7000 to 7300 and 14000 to 14400 stop telephone 14150 to 14300 stop announcement appears Saturday newspapers".

Mr. R. T. Greer,
Fort William, Ont.

Yours faithfully,


(A. C. Powley)

Radio Inspector.

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THE CANADIAN LAKEHEAD WIRELESS EXPERIMENTERS

The Minutes:

This club met on November 20th., at the Lorna Doone Tea Room with President Bruce Grant, 3SJ, in the chair.

Following the introduction of guests each member gave an account of his activities.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, and passed, on motion of W. Loftus, 388A, and, B. Tamblin, 3ANP.

Motion pictures were shown. The club is indebted to R. Godsalve, 3RA, and B. O'Brien, 3UA, for this entertainment.

A letter from the RI was read. This was in response to the club's letter asking the RI to allow prospective hams write their examinations without too much delay.

It was decided to write Alban Moorby, 3AZL, chairman of the Membership Committee, asking for his resignation. It was pointed out that 3AZL has been working out of town for some time, and, that the club has had no official notification from the chairman. And, it is necessary to have 3AZL's resignation before an election can be held. In the meantime the general assembly agreed that Alex Foulton, 3AKI, should carry-on as councillor and chairman of the Membership Committee.

A new duty was given that of the membership committee, -- keeper of the door. This was decided on by the general assembly. One member is to be appointed door man, his job to see that the president is supplied with a slip of paper, giving the name and other essential information on any one, other than members, who attend our meetings. The essential information being the call, address and ham activities of the person concerned.

The chairman of the Technical Advisory Committee, P. O'Shea, 3FW, is to arrange the programme of our next regular meeting on Dec 18.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Bruce Grant
3SJ

LOCAL AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS GET DEMONSTRATION ON RADAR



Members of the Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters and professional radio operators of the Lakehead were recently given a demonstration of radar equipment which has been installed on the S. S. Assiniboia. Through the courtesy of A. Reesor, radio operator for the S. S. Assiniboia and J. Cameron, technical advisor for the National Research Council, the local "hams" had an opportunity to see radar in operation while the ship was docked at No. 6 Shed. Shown in the above photo, from left to right are: J. Cameron, Ray Godsalve, Thompson Ross, Petty Officer McKenzie and Terry Dennis. Harold Dow is watching the image on the radar screen.

Radio Men See Radar in Action Here

Members of the Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters and Professional Radio Operators at the Lakehead were given a demonstration of radar equipment which has been installed on the S.S. Assiniboia at a recent meeting.

J. Cameron, technical advisor for the National Research Council, who designed some of the equipment, and installed the radar sets on the C.P.R. lake boats, operated the installation, which picked out buildings and other landmarks in and around the city, with the boat docked at No. 6 shed, throwing images on the screen, showing their distances from the ship at various ranges.

Later, Mr. Cameron outlined very fully the development and theory of radar, and answered many questions on this great boon to peacetime navigation which came out of the war.

The thanks of the meeting were conveyed to Mr. Cameron and to A. Reesor, radio operator on the S.S. Assiniboia by R. Godsalve, VE3RA, who acted as chairman.

Members of the Canadian Lakehead Wireless Experimenters are amateur radio operators at the head of the lakes and was organized in 1934. During the war the club was inactive owing to the ban on amateur radio operating, but with the lifting of this ban on November 15th, 1945, the club began operations again on November 21st, meeting monthly for discussions on amateur radio problems and learning the latest advances in radio.

The membership of the club is thirty at the present time, and the officers are Bruce Grant, VE3SJ, president; R. Godsalve, VE3RA, vice-president; R. T. Greer, VE3CH, secretary, and executive members P. J. O'Shea, VE3FW, R. Parker, VE3HU, B. O'Brien, VE3UA and J. A. Fulton, VE3AKI.